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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), of Application Serial No. 08/941,459, filed on September 30, 1997, by Takeshi MORIKAWA, entitled IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS CAPABLE OF IMAGE FORMATION IN A PLURALITY OF MODES.

A Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time, extending the response period to February 25, 2002, is being filed concurrently.

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Please enter the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 which was previously filed on January 10, 2002, but not entered by the Examiner, and which amends independent claims 4, 13, 23, 28, 31 and 33-35 and dependent claims 5, 6, 14-16, 24-26, 29 and 32.

A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form authorizing the amount of \$1,140.00 (\$740.00 for the filing fee for a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), plus \$400.00 for the Petition fee for Two Month Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(a)(2)) to be charged to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260 is enclosed herewith in duplicate. However, if the Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form is missing, insufficient, or otherwise inadequate, or if a fee, other than the issue fee, is required during the pendency of this application, please charge such fee to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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